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## FINANCIAL SERVICES REPUBLICAN MORNING CLIPS 9.22.2010

Wall Street Journal: "Summers to Step Down ... Lawrence Summers, the economist who helped design and secure President Barack Obama's top economic policy priorities, will return to Harvard University at the end of the year."

Wall Street Journal: "Europe's Banks Get Creative With Refinancing ... Investors and lenders are getting creative as Europe's lingering credit squeeze puts pressure on banks to refinance a mountain of debt over the next few years."

Wall Street Journal: "Uncertainty Over Future Hits FSA Hiring ... The Financial Services Authority, which is about to be broken up as the U.K.'s top regulator, will need to hire more than 100 people a month if it is to hit its own recruitment targets by March."

Wall Street Journal: "Lehman Suffers Setback in Derivatives Ruling ... BNY Corporate Trustee Services Ltd. can appeal a Bankruptcy Court decision that originally went in favor of a Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. unit."

Wall Street Journal: "FSA's Turner Warns of Problems From Regulatory Changes ... The overhaul of the U.K.'s regulatory structure will open up problems around how to split the task of ensuring banks have large enough capital and liquidity pools from making sure they carry out their business properly, Adair Turner, the chairman of the Financial Services Authority, said Tuesday."

Wall Street Journal: "Obama, Warren and The Imperial Presidency ... President Obama's appointment of Elizabeth Warren late last week is another milestone down the path toward an imperial presidency. During America's first 150 years, Ms. Warren's appointment as a special adviser to the White House would have been unthinkable. Today, it's par for the course."

Washington Post: "Fed statement sets table for possible action on economy in fall ... Federal Reserve policymakers Tuesday opened the door to new action to try to boost the economy. They just didn't step on in."

Washington Post: "Ally Financial legal issue with foreclosures may affect other mortgage companies ... Some of the nation's largest mortgage companies used a single document processor who said he signed off on foreclosures without having read the paperwork - an admission that may open the door for homeowners across the country to challenge foreclosure proceedings."

Washington Post: "Warren's first appearance as part of Obama team ... In her first official appearance as a member of the Obama administration, Elizabeth Warren on Tuesday appeared alongside Treasury Secretary Timothy F. Geithner at a forum aimed at simplifying of complicated mortgage disclosure forms that often inundate consumers."

NY Times: "Fed Stands Pat and Says It Is Still Ready to Buy Debt ... Officials at the Federal Reserve signaled on Tuesday for the first time that they were worried that the slow-moving economic recovery could be undermined by very low rates of inflation, and hinted strongly that it might resume buying vast amounts of government debt to spur the recovery."

NY Times: "A.I.G. Nears Sale of 2 Units to Prudential Financial ... The American International Group is close to a deal to sell two Japanese life insurance units to Prudential Financial for at least \$4 billion, people briefed on the matter told DealBook on Tuesday."

NY Times: "Head of Basel Panel Defends Proposed Bank Rules ... New rules on how much rainy-day capital banks must keep in reserve are more rigorous than they first seem and create "a road to a much safer banking system," the chairman of the panel that is writing the regulations said Wednesday, implicitly answering criticism that the proposals are too lax."

USA Today: "Fed prepared to take steps to shore up economy if needed ... The Federal Reserve on Tuesday gave its clearest signal yet that it's prepared to take further steps to jump-start growth if the lackluster recovery doesn't pick up."

USA Today: "Warren and Geithner tackle mortgage forms ... The Obama administration is promising to move quickly to simplify the paperwork consumers receive when taking out a home mortgage."

USA Today: "COLE: Bank bailout's wasted cash ... Passage of the \$42 billion small-business bill is virtually assured after two lame-duck Republicans joined 59 Democratic senators voting in favor of the bill on Thursday, but don't expect this new stimulus bill to help the economy avoid a double-dip recession. Why? Look no further than the two key components of the bill: \$30 billion to boost lending to small businesses and \$12 billion in targeted tax cuts for qualifying small businesses."

The Hill: "CFTC chairman wants new derivatives rules implemented quickly ... Commodity Futures Trading Commission Chairman Gary Gensler on Tuesday laid out an aggressive timetable for implementing regulations for the multitrillion-dollar derivatives market."

Politico: "Woman CEO sought for Summers job ... Larry Summers isn't leaving the White House until the end of the year but President Barack Obama's team already knows the ideal candidate to replace him on the National Economic Council - a woman CEO."